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**AMENDMENT**

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Sir,

In response to the Office Action dated January 2, 2004, no paper number, in the subject patent application, for which a shortened statutory period of three months ending April 2, 2004 was set in which to respond, the following amendments and comments are submitted and reconsideration of the claim rejections is respectfully requested.

The Applicants submit that in view of the attached Certificate of Mailing, this response is timely.

Amendments to the Specification begin on Page 2

Amendments to the claims begin on Page 4 of this paper.

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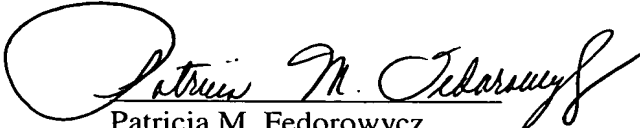


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